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COUNTRY East Germany REPORT

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TOPIC Schorfheide Airfield

EVALUATION PLACE OBTAINED

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DATE OF CONTENT

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2. On 8 and 9 October, a strip 100 meters wide was being staked off from forest district No 197 to the east at Schorfheide airfield. For this purpose sign boards consecutively numbered from 1 through 39 were posted 40 meters apart. 50X1-HUM the staked off strip was to be dug out to a depth of 80 cm by hand but using excavators if they became available. On 10 October, rails for a field railroad track were being laid along the strip. Construction work on the barracks buildings in forest district No 126 continued. Seven single-story wooden buildings were completed in forest district No 125, while work on five additional such buildings was started. this barracks camp was to be occupied by engineers who were employed in the area and were 50X1-HUM quartered in a camp near Grossvaetersee, a lake. Another 120 engineers were also expected to move into these buildings.[1]

3. During the period from 6 through 11 October, additional workers were detached from the Schorfheide construction project to Oranienburg airfield where they were scheduled to work on the extension of the runway. Only 630 men were still employed at Schorfheide airfield. In December 1952, the workers sent to Oranienburg were expected back at Schorfheide. Construction work at Schorfheide was to be intensified in December. Some of the field railroad rails had also been sent to Oranienburg.[2]

4. In early October, the trip tickets of all the German drivers of the Soviet motor transport unit stationed in forest district No 125 were stamped "Motor Transport Unit Ivanova, Leipzig." A section of this unit hauled tree stumps from forest districts Nos 162, 163, 164, and 165 to the Vogelsang railroad station.

1. Comment. Excavation work on a runway has been started at Schorfheide airfield which is under construction. As at Sernouchen 39 sections, each 40 50X1-HUM meters long, were staked off for the runway. For location of the runway at Schorfheide, see Annex. 50X1-HUM

2. Comment. The transfer of workers from Schorfheide to Oranienburg was 50X1-HUM reported previously. It is believed possible that additional workers were sent there with a view to completing this installation before the beginning of the winter weather. 50X1-HUM

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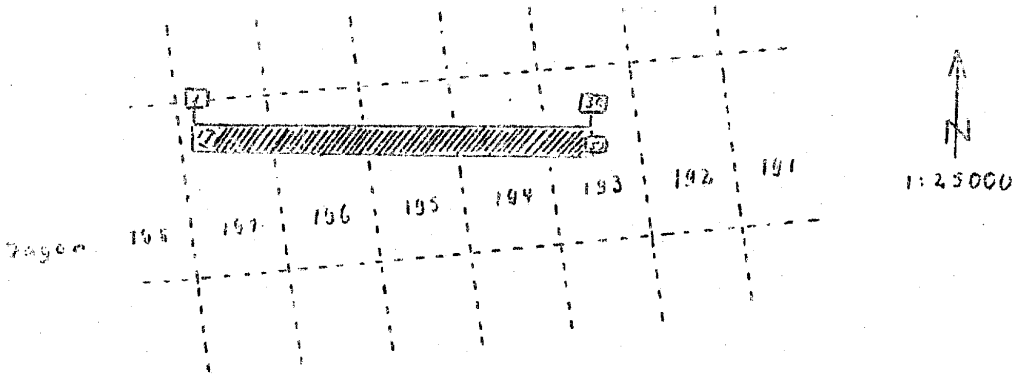
Location of Runway at Schorfheide Airfield



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